

BOROUGH OF ANDOVER

HEALTH DEPARTMENT



MUNICIPAL OFFICES,
BRIDGE STREET,
ANDOVER.

INTERIM REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER of HEALTH

for the year

1946

GENERAL STATISTICS

	<u>1946</u>	<u>1945</u>
Area (in acres)	6,381	6,381
Population (From Registrar General)	13,330	12,570
Number of inhabited houses	3,450	3,415

VITAL STATISTICSLive births

	Male	Female	Male	Female
Legitimate	147	129	93	114
Illegitimate	12	12	20	17
	<u>159</u>	<u>141</u>	<u>113</u>	<u>131</u>

Birth rate per 1000 population 22.22 18.7

Birth rate England and Wales 19.1 16.1

Still births

	Male	Female	Male	Female
Legitimate	-	3	4	1
Illegitimate	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>

Rate per 1000 population .3 .38

Rate per 1000 Live and Still Births) 13.33 20.49

Rate for England and Wales .53 .46

Deaths

Male	Female	Male	Female
74	72	68	70
<u>146</u>		<u>138</u>	

Rate per 1000 population 10.82 11.5

Rate for England and Wales 11.5 11.4

Puerperal Causes Nil Nil

Deaths (cont'd)

	<u>1946</u>		<u>1945</u>	
Infants under 1 year:	Male	Female	Male	Female
Legitimate	4	1	2	4
Illegitimate	-	3	1	4
	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>8</u>
Rate per 1000 births	22.66		45.00	
Rate for England and Wales	43.00		46.00	

Causes of Death (Figures from Registrar General).

	Male	Female	Male	Female
Respiratory tuberculosis	1	2	2	2
Influenza	1	-	1	1
Cancer - digestive system	4	5	2	1
Cancer - other sites	6	12	6	9
Diabetes	1	1	-	1
Diseases Heart and Blood vessels	31	25	29	30
Respiratory diseases	8	10	9	11
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	1	-	3	1
Diarrhoea (under 2 years)	-	1	1	1
Appendicitis	1	-	-	-
Other digestive diseases	-	1	-	4
Nephritis	2	-	3	2
Premature birth	2	-	-	-
Other maternal causes	-	-	-	-
Birth injuries	1	2	1	1
Suicide	2	-	-	-
Violence	2	-	2	1
All other causes	6	3	9	5
Tuberculosis other forms	1	-	-	-
Syphilitic diseases	2	-	-	-
Intracranial vascular lesions	2	10	-	-
	<u>74</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>68</u>	<u>70</u>

Infectious Diseases.

Scarlet fever	5	7
Whooping cough	-	7
Erysipelas	-	4
Measles	4	95
Pneumonia	3	1
Chicken Pox	1	1
Dysentery	-	1
Cerebral spinal meningitis	1	-

Diphtheria Immunisation

Number immunised during year	<u>Under 5 years</u>		<u>5-15 years</u>	
	1946	- 184	1946	- 41
	1945	- 172	1945	- 40

WATER SUPPLY

The water supply in the district has been chlorinated since the beginning of the war and is still satisfactory. The four private piped supplies in the Borough are regularly sampled and satisfactory reports are received. The public piped supply covers most of the Borough.

The water main has been extended as follows:-

Vigo Road	Highlands Estate
Dene Road	Old Down Estate
Farrs Avenue	Love Lane
Hedge End Road.	

SEWAGE

Arrangements at the sewage works are the same as last year.

HOUSING

During 1946 the Council completed the Site Preparation for 166 Permanent Houses, and most of the work of Site Preparation for 50 Temporary Houses.

The first permanent house was completed and opened in May 1946, and up to the end of the year a total of 27 permanent houses were completed and occupied. 6 Houses were completed by Private Enterprise up to the end of the year.

At the end of the year Contracts were in progress which should produce at least 100 permanent houses during 1947, and 50 temporary houses under construction by the Ministry of Works were rapidly nearing completion. Contracts for the site preparation for a further 122 permanent houses had been let. Preliminary steps had been taken with regard to the acquisition of a further site for approximately 120 houses.

The whole of the new dwellings were houses, and not flats or bungalows, but they included a proportion of four-bedroom houses.

GENERAL HEALTH

The general health of the inhabitants is good, infectious disease has been low.

SCABIES

Most cases are treated by their own doctors, a few go to the Public Assistance Institution for treatment.

MEAT SUPPLY

Slaughtering has been at the Ministry of Food slaughter-house, distribution being to the Borough and Rural districts and part of the Kingsclere and Whitchurch district.

Inspection is of a high standard but has involved a great deal of night work by the Sanitary Inspector.

MILK SUPPLIES

There are two pasteurisation plants in the town and weekly samples from these have given satisfactory results.

FACTORIES

There are 127 factories on the Register, 27 inspections were carried out and 11 Notices served.

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